

## COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

## **NEWS RELEASE**

## COUNTY TO PROVIDE SAND, BAGS FOR RESIDENTS

Erosion Control is Goal for Property in Unincorporated Areas

With the rainy season here, San Diego County's Department of Public Works (DPW) wants to help residents of unincorporated areas prevent soil erosion on their property. So the department is providing free sand and sandbags at seven strategic locations including two in Valley Center.

Materials are available at fire stations in Ramona, Valley Center, Julian, Bonita, Alpine and Lakeside. Each location currently has 4,000 bags and 10 cubic yards of sand. Residents should bring their own shovels to load sand.

Using erosion control devices such as sandbags prevents rainwater from washing soil onto roadways and into storm drains. Mudflows can block roads and flood control systems, and cause property damage.

DPW spent about \$60,000 on materials and will restock as supplies dwindle. Sand and bags are now available at the following locations:

Ramona 3410 Dye Rd (#82)

Valley Center 28205 N. Lake Wohlford Rd (#73) and 16971 Hwy 76

Julian 1587 Hwy 78

Bonita 4900 Bonita Rd

Alpine 1834 Alpine Blvd.

Lakeside 14008 Business Route 8

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